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TONIGHT I WANT TO SUM UP FOR YOU
THE ISSUES WITH WHICH YOU ARE
FACED AS VOTERS AT THE STATE
ELECTION ON MARCH 2ND.

THE MAJOR PARTIES IN SOUTH
AUSTRALIA HAVE PUT THEIR
PROGRAMMES TO THE ELECTORS
AGAINST THE BACKGROUND OF WORK
DONE BY PARLIAMENT AND GOVERNMENT
IN THE LAST THREE YEARS.

IN THAT TIME THE LABOR GOVERNMENT
HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR A

VERITABLE AVALANCHE OF LEGISLATIVE
AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORM IN
SOUTH AUSTRALIA. LET ME TALK

TO YOU ABOUT THE WORK OF
PARLIAMENT. WE HAVE CHANGED THE

LAW RELATING TO SOCIAL WELFARE

IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA - ALL THE

PROVISIONS FOR DESERTED WIVES,

POOR PEOPLE, NEGLECTED AND

DELINQUENT CHILDREN, CHILDREN TO

BE ADOPTED, AND JUVENILE

OFFENDERS.

THIS WHOLE AREA OF THE LAW HAS

BEEN COMPLETELY REVISED.

WE HAVE BROUGHT IN A COMPREHENSIVE

*COMPLETELY REVISED THE
whole law on Social Welfare*

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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT APPLYING
TOWN PLANNING TO ALL THE URBAN
AREAS OF THE STATE, WHEREAS BEFORE
WE TOOK OFFICE THIS WAS THE ONE
STATE IN THE COMMONWEALTH WHICH
HAD NO EFFECTIVE TOWN PLANNING
LEGISLATION.

IN AGRICULTURE WE BROUGHT IN THE
COMMONWEALTH EGG MARKETING
SCHEME, THE ORDERLY MARKETING
OF CITRUS, THE PROTECTION OF WINE
GRAPE GROWERS IN GETTING BETTER
THAN THE COST OF PRODUCTION AND
AN INTEGRATED PROGRAMME FOR THE
FISHING INDUSTRY.

IN BUILDING, AT THE REQUEST OF THE
INDUSTRY, WE PROVIDED REGISTRATION
OF BUILDERS TO PROTECT BOTH
BUILDERS AND THE PUBLIC AND THE
STANDARDS OF WORK ACHIEVED IN
BUILDING, AND HAVE ALTERED ALL
THE LAWS RELATING TO FINANCE IN
BUILDING SO THERE IS A GREATER
FLOW OF FINANCE IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA.
IN INDUSTRIAL PROTECTION WE HAVE
ALTERED THE WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION
ACT AND MADE IT THE BEST IN
AUSTRALIA.

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WE HAVE BROUGHT IN NEW INDUSTRIAL
SAFETY PROVISIONS, A NEW APPRENTICE-
SHIP COMMISSION, CONSTRUCTION SAFETY
REGULATIONS, EQUAL PAY FOR WOMEN
HAS BEEN INTRODUCED BY STAGES.
WE HAVE ENTIRELY REVISED THE
PUBLIC SERVICE ACT AND GIVEN
IMPROVED CONDITIONS FOR EXISTING
AND RETIRED PUBLIC SERVANTS.
IN SOCIAL LEGISLATION THINGS LIKE
LOTTERIES, T.A.B., LICENSING LAWS -
TRANSFORMED
WE HAVE COMPLETELY ~~REFORMED~~ THE
LEGISLATION IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA.
IN LAW REFORM FROM BEING A
BACKWATER WHERE NOTHING HAPPENED
IN LAW REFORM AND PEOPLE SUFFERED
IN CONSEQUENCE THIS STATE HAS
TAKEN THE LEAD IN THE BRITISH *Empire*
SPEAKING COMMONWEALTH IN THE
SCOPE OF REFORMS TO MAKE JUSTICE
EASILY AVAILABLE TO ALL.
IN ADMINISTRATION WE HAVE SPENT
MORE ON STATE SERVICES IN ALMOST
EVERY AREA BUT PARTICULARLY IN
IMPROVEMENTS IN EDUCATION.
IN TAKING THIS STATE FROM THE
LOWEST EXPENDITURE PER HEAD

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TO THE HIGHEST ON HEALTH AND
HOSPITALS - ON THE PROVISION
OF ADEQUATE PUBLIC RELIEF TO
THE POOR WE ARE THE ONE STATE
THAT HAS DONE A GOOD JOB IN
THIS AREA, AND IN WATER SUPPLY
WE ARE THE ONE STATE SHORT OF
WATER WHICH HAS HAD NO RESTRICTIONS
IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA AND HAS
GOT THROUGH THE SUMMER
SATISFACTORILY WITH THE COOPERATION
OF THE PUBLIC ~~AND~~ THESE ARE ONLY
A FEW OF THE THINGS. I AM JUST
GIVING YOU EXAMPLES RATHER THAN
A COMPREHENSIVE LIST.
IN ALL OF THESE THINGS IN THE LAST
THREE YEARS WE HAVE BEEN HAMPERED
OR OPPOSED BY THE OPPOSITION.
CAN YOU REMEMBER AT ANY TIME
THEIR PUTTING FORWARD CONSTRUCTIVE
ALTERNATIVE PROPOSALS IN THE
MATTERS WHICH I HAVE OUTLINED
TO YOU?
IN NUMBERS OF THESE THINGS WE HAD
AN ENORMOUS STRUGGLE TO GET THROUGH
OUR PROGRAMME BECAUSE THEY ENDEAVOURED
TO PREVENT US AT EVERY TURN.

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IT IS IMPOSSIBLE IN THREE YEARS
OF COURSE TO REMEDY LACK OF
REFORM IN 30.

AND SO AT THIS ELECTION WE HAVE
PUT FORWARD A FURTHER PROGRAMME
OF REFORM AND IMPROVEMENTS IN
SERVICES WHICH WE BELIEVE CAN
BE EFFECTIVELY ACCOMPLISHED IN
THREE YEARS ~~AND WE HAVE SAID~~
~~QUITE SPECIFICALLY WHAT WE~~
~~PROPOSE TO DO AND HOW WE PROPOSE~~
~~TO DO IT.~~

THE OPPOSITION HAS PUBLICLY
CRITICISED OUR EXPANDING
EXPENDITURE ON STATE SERVICES
TO GIVE A BETTER ^{DEAL} TO PEOPLE IN
THIS STATE. IT HAS NOW COME
FORWARD WITH A PROGRAMME ~~AT THIS~~
~~ELECTION WHICH FOR THE MOST~~
PART IS MERELY A DULL IMITATION
BUT IN SOME AREAS PROPOSES TO
HAND OUT MORE THAN THE GOVERNMENT
DOES. ~~EVEN THOUGH THEY CRITICISED~~
OUR ORIGINAL IMPROVEMENTS AND
~~EXPENDITURE IN THOSE VERY AREAS.~~

~~I THINK THAT APART FROM THIS~~
~~OTHERWISE~~
CONTRAST THERE HAVE BEEN ONLY

THREE REAL ISSUES APPEARING AT

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THIS ELECTION. THE FIRST OF THESE
IS THE QUESTION OF PEOPLE'S RIGHT
TO ELECT THEIR PARLIAMENT. THE
LABOR PARTY SAYS QUITE CLEARLY
EVERY CITIZEN IN THIS COMMUNITY
VIRTUE
BY ~~XXXXXX~~ OF BEING A CITIZEN
HAS TO LIVE SUBJECT TO THE LAW
AND THEREFORE HE SHOULD HAVE AN
EQUAL SAY WITH EVERY OTHER CITIZEN
IN WHAT THE LAW SHOULD BE THAT
GOVERNS HIM. WE SHOULD HAVE NO
SECOND CLASS CITIZENS HERE. THIS
MEANS THAT IN THE LOWER HOUSE OF
THE PARLIAMENT WE SHOULD HAVE AN
ENLARGED HOUSE SUFFICIENT TO
MAINTAIN THE SERVICE MEMBERS GIVE
TO THEIR CONSTITUENTS IN COUNTRY
AREAS AND AT THE SAME TIME
TO SEE THAT ~~ALL~~ ^{ALL} ~~SUCH~~ AREAS ELECTING A
MEMBER TO PARLIAMENT ~~HAVE~~ ^{ARE} APPROXIMATELY
AN EQUAL NUMBER OF VOTERS ~~WITH EVERY~~
~~OTHER AREA ELECTING A MEMBER.~~
THIS OF COURSE ~~IS~~ ONE OF THE BASIC
~~REQUIREMENTS~~ ^{REQUIREMENTS} OF DEMOCRACY. THE LIBERAL
PARTY PROPOSES TO DO WHAT IT CALLS
REFORM ~~AND WHAT IT CALLS REFORM~~
~~IS~~ SO TO ALTER THE BOUNDARIES OF

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DISTRICTS FOR THE LOWER HOUSE THAT
THERE WILL BE A REDUCTION IN
REPRESENTATION IN PARLIAMENT IN

THE AREAS IMMEDIATELY SURROUNDING
ADELAIDE - GAWLER, ELIZABETH,
TEA TREE GULLY, MODBURY, CHRISTIES
BEACH AND ALSO MORPHETT VALE, AND
A REDUCTION IN THE REPRESENTATION
OF COUNTRY TOWNS.

~~WHEN THIS PLAN WAS PREVIOUSLY PUT
BEFORE PARLIAMENT THE GULF TOWNS
OF WHYALLA, PORT PIRIE AND PORT
AUGUSTA, WERE TO HAVE A REDUCTION
IN REPRESENTATION FROM THREE TO TWO.~~

THIS COMPLETELY UNFAIR ALIGNMENT
IS AIMED AT ALLOWING CERTAIN AREAS
OF THE STATE STRONGLY LIBERAL
VOTING TO CONTAIN VOTERS HAVING
THREE TO FOUR TIME THE SAY IN
THE FUTURE OF THIS STATE TO VOTERS
LIVING ELSEWHERE, ~~AND PARTICULARLY~~
TO VOTERS IN THE METROPOLITAN AREAS
AND IN MOST COUNTRY TOWNS ~~WHICH~~ WHO
WOULD HAVE LESS SAY THAN THOSE
LIVING IN SPARSELY POPULATED

~~RURAL AREAS.~~ UNDER THIS SYSTEM

THE LIBERAL AND COUNTRY LEAGUE
WOULD BE ABLE TO ~~BE~~ BE ELECTED

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AS A GOVERNMENT AND BE ABLE TO
RETAIN POWER WITH ONLY 38% OF
THE VOTES REGARDLESS OF HOW THE
OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THE
PEOPLE VOTED. NOW WHICH DO YOU
WANT? DEMOCRACY OR AUTOCRACY?
BECAUSE THAT IS THE CHOICE IN
THIS AREA. / AS TO REFORM OF THE
UPPER HOUSE THE LABOR PARTY
BELIEVES THAT EVERY ADULT CITIZEN
SHOULD HAVE A VOTE ~~AND THAT THIS~~
SHOULD BE ON THE BASIS OF ONE
~~VOTE ONE VALUE, EVERY DISTRICT~~
~~CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY EQUAL~~
~~NUMBERS OF VOTERS.~~ THE LIBERAL
PARTY HAS NO PROPOSALS FOR
REFORM OF THE UPPER HOUSE BUT
SAYS THAT WE SHOULD RETAIN THE
UPPER HOUSE ELECTED BY A SMALL
SECTIONAL MINORITY WITH THE
COMPLETE RIGHT TO SAY 'NO'
TO ANYTHING WHICH THE MAJORITY
OF CITIZENS MAY VOTE FOR.
WHICH DO YOU BELIEVE IS RIGHT
AND JUST BETWEEN THESE TWO
POLICIES?
SECONDLY THERE IS THE ISSUE OF

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PLANNED DEVELOPMENT~~s~~. THE LIBERAL PARTY IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA HAS SAID THAT WE MUST HAVE GREATER DEVELOPMENT THAN HAS BEEN ACHIEVED IN THE LAST TWO YEARS. WHEN THERE WAS A CUT BACK IN EMPLOYMENT IN MOTOR CARS AND HOME APPLIANCES WHICH TOGETHER WITH SUPPLY INDUSTRIES IS 55% OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA'S INDUSTRY, THEY SAID SINCE THIS HAD HAPPENED WHEN THE LABOR GOVERNMENT WAS IN POWER IT WAS ALL THE FAULT OF THE LABOR GOVERNMENT. NOW IF WE ARE TO PLAN AHEAD WE MUST KNOW ALL THE FACTORS UPON WHICH WE MUST PLAN. FACTS ARE IMPORTANT. WHAT HAPPENED IN THE TIME OF THE CUT BACK IN THIS PARTICULAR AREA OF EMPLOYMENT WAS THAT THERE WAS A DECLINE IN OUR MARKETS OUTSIDE THIS STATE'S BOUNDARIES. THERE WAS NOT A SIMILAR DECLINE FOR OTHER PRODUCTS IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA. THERE WAS NO LACK OF CONFIDENCE IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA. ~~THE ONLY REASON WHY THERE WAS A CUT BACK IN MOTOR CARS AND HOME APPLIANCES WAS BECAUSE OUR MARKETS~~

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~~ELSEWHERE FELL AND WE COULD NO~~
HELP FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
IN ~~STIMULATING THEM.~~

THEREFORE THE ESSENTIAL THINGS FOR
the future IS TO SEE THAT WE ARE
SO DEVELOPED BY OUR INDUSTRY AND
MARKETS FOR OUR PRODUCTS THAT
THIS CANNOT HAPPEN AGAIN.

THE ONLY PARTY WITH A POLICY
CLEARLY SET FORTH TO ENSURE THIS
FOR THE FUTURE IS THE AUSTRALIAN
LABOR PARTY.

WE HAVE SET UP AN INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT BRANCH OF HIGHLY
QUALIFIED STAFF. THERE WAS NONE
BEFORE WE TOOK OFFICE. WE HAVE
CALLED IN THE WORLD'S LEADING
CONSULTANTS TO EXAMINE THE WHOLE
OF OUR ECONOMY AND MARKET POTENTIAL
SO THAT WE CAN GET INTO THE EXPORT
INDUSTRY, IN A WAY THAT WILL MEAN
WE WON'T HAVE CUT BACKS IN
EMPLOYMENT ~~BECAUSE~~ ^{IF} THERE IS A
FALL IN EASTERN STATES MARKETS
FOR MOTOR CARS, WASHING MACHINES
AND REFRIGERATORS. THE LIBERAL
PARTY'S POLICY IN CONTRAST

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IS SIMPLY "PUT US BACK", "WE WILL
GO AHEAD, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NO
SPECIFIC PLAN TO PUT TO YOU

AS TO HOW WE ARE GOING TO DO IT".

THE THIRD REASON IS THAT OF
FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

WE HAVE BEEN ATTACKED BY THE
OPPOSITION FOR WHAT HAS BEEN
A PERFECTLY ORTHODOX RUNNING
OF A DEFICIT BUDGET IN SOUTH

AUSTRALIA TO STIMULATE THE
ECONOMY AND WE HAVE STIMULATED

IT SUCCESSFULLY AND ^{because} WE HAVE

CHARGED CAPITAL WORKS TO ~~XXXX~~

LOAN ACCOUNT AS EVERY ~~OTHER~~

LIBERAL TREASURER IN THE OTHER

STATES HAS DONE AND THEY HAVE

ENDEAVOURED TO FRIGHTEN ELECTORS

BY SUGGESTING THAT WE HAVE USED

UP TRUST MONIES IN THE TREASURY

BELONGING TO OTHER PEOPLE, WHEREAS

THEY KNOW WE HAVE SIMPLY USED OUR

WORKING CAPITAL AND THAT ^{IF}

EVERY BENEFICIARY OF EVERY TRUST

FUND IN THE TREASURY CAME TO ME

TOMORROW I COULD SIGN A CHEQUE

FOR THE LOT AND IT WOULD BE HONOURED.

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WHAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS DONE AT THIS ELECTION IS TO SAY HERE IS OUR PROGRAMME FOR THE FUTURE, IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE EXPANDING SERVICES THAT WE HAVE SET UP AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS WHICH WE HAVE PROMISED, ADDITIONAL REVENUE IS REQUIRED - THIS WILL BE OBTAINED IN ALTERATIONS TO STAMP DUTY AND SUCCESSION DUTY AND TO OBTAIN THE AREAS OF LAND NEEDED IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWN PLANNER, THERE WILL BE A METROPOLITAN SMALL ADDITION TO THE LAND TAX. THE OPPOSITION IN CONTRAST HAS SAID WE MUST HAVE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY. PUT US BACK INTO OFFICE. IN THE MEAN-TIME WE CAN'T TELL YOU WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DO ABOUT THE STATE'S FINANCES. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE ALL THE TREASURY FIGURES AVAILABLE TO US (THE SAME STATEMENT IS POSTED TO MR. HALL EVERY MONTH AS IS GIVEN TO ME BY THE UNDER-TREASURER GIVING A COMPLETE ANALYSIS OF THE STATE'S CASH POSITION.) THEY CAN'T TELL US WHAT THEY PROPOSE TO DO TO BE

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FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE UNTIL AFTER
THE ELECTIONS. YOU MUST JUDGE
BETWEEN THE PARTY - THE GOVERNMENT -
WHICH SAYS HERE IS WHAT WE PROPOSE
TO DO AND HERE IS HOW WE PROPOSE
TO DO IT, AND THE OPPOSITION WHICH
SAYS HERE IS WHAT WE HOPE TO DO
BUT WE DECLINE TO TELL YOU HOW
WE ARE GOING TO DO IT.
WELL THESE ARE THE ISSUES ON
SATURDAY AND WE ARE ASKING YOU
AS THE GOVERNMENT TO GIVE US
AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE
THE PERIOD OF REFORM AND
DEVELOPMENT WHICH WE HAVE UNDERTAKEN
IN THE LAST THREE YEARS AND WHICH
WILL CARRY THIS STATE TO BE THE
PROUD LEADER IN THE FIELD OF
EFFECTIVE REFORM AND ACHIEVEMENT
IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

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Drop chin.
No table

Sit down in
chair more

Don't put left arm on
side of chair.

As originally dictated
7/31

Tonight I want to sum up for you the issues with which you are faced as voters at the State election on March 2nd. The major parties in South Australia have put their programmes to the electors, - against the background of the work done by Parliament and Government in the last three years. In that time the Labor Government has been responsible for a veritable avalanche of legislative and administrative reform in South Australia. Let me talk to you about the work of Parliament. We have changed all the law relating to Social Welfare in South Australia; all the provisions for deserted wives; poor people; neglected and delinquent children; children to be adopted; juvenile offenders. This whole area of the law has been completely revised. We have brought in a comprehensive Planning and Development Act applying town planning to all the urban areas of the State whereas before we took office this was the one State in the Commonwealth that had no effective Town Planning legislation. In agriculture, we brought in the Commonwealth Egg Marketing Scheme; the orderly marketing of citrus; the protection of wine grape growers in getting better than the cost of production, and an integrated programme for the fishing industry. In building, at the request of the industry, we provided registration of builders to protect both builders and the public and the standards of work achieved in building, and have altered all the laws relating to finance for building so there is a greater flow of finance to South Australia. In Industrial Protection, we have altered the Workmen's Compensation Act and made it the best in Australia; brought in new industrial safety provisions; new apprenticeship commission; construction safety regulations; equal pay for women has been introduced by stages; we have entirely revised the Public Service Act which was completely outdated, and given improved conditions for existing and retired public servants. In Social legislation, things like lotteries, T.A.B., licensing laws - we have completely transformed the legislation in South Australia. In law reform, from being a backwater, where nothing happened in law reform and people suffered in consequence, this

State has now taken the lead in the British speaking Commonwealth in the pace and scope of reforms to make justice easily available to all.

In Administration, we have spent more on State services in almost every area but particularly in improvements in Education, in taking this State from the lowest expenditure per head to the highest on Health and Hospitals. On the provision of adequate public relief to the poor we are the one State that has done a good job in this area, and in water supply we are the one State short of water which has had no restrictions in the metropolitan area and has got through the summer satisfactorily with the co-operation of the public - and these are only a few of the things - I am just giving you examples rather than a comprehensive list. In all of this work in the last three years we have been hampered or opposed by the Opposition. Can you remember at any time their putting forward constructive alternative proposals in the matters which I have outlined to you and in numbers of these things we had an enormous struggle to get through our programme because they endeavoured to prevent us at every turn. It is impossible in three years, of course, to remedy lack of reform in thirty, and so at this election we have put forward a further programme of reform and improvement in services which we believe can be effectively accomplished in the three years and we have said quite specifically what we propose to do and how we propose to do it.

The Opposition has publicly criticised our expanding expenditure on State services to give a better deal to people in this State. It has now come forward with a programme at this election which for the most part is merely a dull imitation but in some areas proposes to hand out more than the Government does even though they criticised our original improvements and expenditure in those very areas. I think that apart from this contrast there have been only three real issues appearing at this election. The first of these is the question of people's right to elect their Parliament. The Labor Party says quite clearly

every citizen in this community, by virtue of being a citizen, has to live subject to the law and therefore he should have an equal say with every other citizen in what the law should be that governs him. We should have no second-class citizens here. This means that in the Lower House of the Parliament we should have an enlarged House sufficient to maintain the service Members give to their constituents in country areas and at the same time to see that each area electing a Member to Parliament has approximately an equal number of voters with every other area electing a Member. This, of course, is one of the basic components of Democracy. The Liberal Party, as its alternative here, proposes what it calls "reform", and what it calls "reform" is so to alter the boundaries of districts for the Lower House that there will be a reduction in representation in Parliament in the areas immediately surrounding Adelaide - Gawler, Elizabeth, Teatree Gully, Modbury, Christies Beach and Morphett Vale, and also a reduction in the representation of country towns. When this plan was previously put before Parliament, the Gulf towns of Whyalla, Port Pirie and Port Augusta were to have a reduction in representation from 3 to 2. This completely unfair alignment of electoral boundaries is aimed at allowing certain areas of the State, strongly Liberal voting, to contain voters having 3 to 4 times the say in the future of this State than voters living elsewhere and particularly all voters in the metropolitan area and in most country towns would have less say than those living in sparsely populated rural areas. Under this system the Liberal and Country League would be able to be elected as Government and be able to retain power with only 38% of the votes regardless of how the overwhelming majority of people voted. Now which do you want : Democracy or Autocracy? because that is the choice in this area.

As to reform of the Upper House, the Labor Party believes that every adult citizen should have a vote and that this should be on the basis of one vote one value, every district

containing approximately an equal number of voters. The Liberal Party has no proposals for reform of the Upper House but says that we should retain an Upper House elected by a small sectional minority with the complete right to say "No" to anything which the majority of citizens may vote for. Which do you believe is right and just between these two policies?

Secondly there is the issue of planned development. The Liberal Party in South Australia has said that we must have greater development than has been achieved in the last two years when there was a cutback in employment in motor cars and home appliances which, together with Supply industries, is 55% of South Australia's industry. They state that since this had happened when the Labor Government was in power it was all the fault of the Labor Government. Now, if we are to plan ahead we must know all the factors upon which we must plan. The facts are important. What happened in the time of the cutback in this particular area of employment was there was a decline in our markets outside this State's boundaries. There was not a similar decline for other products in South Australia. There was no lack of confidence in South Australia. The only reason why there was a cutback in motor cars and home appliances was because our markets elsewhere fell and we could get no help from the Federal Government in stimulating them. Therefore, the essential thing for the future is to plan to see that we are so developed by our industry and our markets that this can't happen again.

The only Party with a policy clearly set forth to ensure this for the future is the Australian Labor Party. We have set up an Industrial Development Branch of highly qualified staff. There was none before we took office. We have called in the world's leading consultants to examine the whole of our economic and market potential so that we can get into export industry in a way that will mean we don't have cutbacks in employment because there is a fall in the Eastern States

markets for motor cars, washing machines and refrigerators. The Liberal Party's policy in contrast is simply "Put us back. That will restore confidence in South Australia and we will go ahead although we have no specific plan to put to you as to how we are going to do it."

The third issue is that of financial responsibility. We have been attacked by the Opposition for what has been perfectly orthodox - running a deficit Budget in South Australia to stimulate the economy and we have stimulated it successfully and we have charged capital works to Loan A/c. as every other Liberal Treasurer in the other States has done, and they have endeavoured to frighten electors by suggesting that we have used up Trust monies in Treasury belonging to other people whereas they know we have simply used our working capital and that if every beneficiary of every Trust Fund in the Treasury came to me tomorrow I could sign a cheque for the lot and it would be honored.

What the Government has done at this election is to say "here is our programme for the future. In order to maintain the expanding services that we have set up and to provide for the improvements which we have promised, additional revenue is required and this will be obtained in alterations to Stamp Duty and Succession Duty, and to obtain the areas of land needed in the metropolitan area recommended by the Town Planner, there will be a metropolitan small addition to the Land Tax." The Opposition, in contrast, has said "We must be financially responsible. Put us back into office. In the meantime we cannot tell you what we are going to do about the State's finances."

Although we have all the Treasury figures available to us, the same statement is posted to Mr. Hall every month as is given to me by the Under-Treasurer, giving a complete analysis of the State's cash position. They can't tell us what they propose to do to be financially responsible until after the election.

Now, where is the contrast in financial responsibility here? You must judge between the Party, the Government, which says "Here is what we propose to do and here is how we propose to do it," and the Opposition which says "Here is what we hope to do but we decline to tell you how we are going to do it."

Well, these are the issues on Saturday and we are asking you, as the Government, to give us an opportunity to continue the period of reform and development which we have undertaken in the last three years and which will carry this State to^{be} the proud Leader in the field of effective reform and achievement in the Commonwealth.